the beginning of the financial year, the Central funds are tentatively allocated to the States/UTs in proportion to the incidence of urban poverty in the States/UTs and thereafter these funds are released to the States/UTs, in instalments, on the basis of receipts of Utilization Certificates for the past Central releases and also the contribution of matching State shares for the past releases. Additional funds, over and above the tentative allocations, are also released to the States/UTs on their request keeping in view the physical and financial progress of the Scheme in the State/UT and also the availability of funds. Under Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yozana (SJSRY), proposals for urban employment, as such are not received from the States/UTs. Hence, the question of pendency of projects relating to urban employment under Swarna Jayanti Shahari Razgar Yojana (SJSRY), does not arise.

Creation of employment opportunities

4643. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposals so far received by Union Government from the State Governments for creation of employment opportunities in urban areas under the Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana since its inception, State-wise and year-wise;

(b) the details of the proposals cleared, State-wise and year-wise; and

(c) the details of the proposals expected to be cleared alongwith the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (c) Under the Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY), which is being implemented by the Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation on all India basis, Central funds are released to the States/UTs for implementation of the Scheme. Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) strives to provide self-employment to the urban poor living below the poverty line by setting up of micro-enterprises and also through provision of wage-employment by utilizing the labour of urban poor in construction of useful public assets. Under Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY), at the beginning of the financial year, the Central funds are tentatively allocated to the States/UTs in proportion to the incidence of urban poverty in the States/UTs and thereafter these funds are released to the States/UTs, in

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Loans for housing

4644. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government have reclassified the income limits to define various economic groups;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether new classification is likely to help economically weaker sections particularly minority community to get loans for housing; if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government propose interest subsidy for economically weaker sections and LIG categories particularly minority community; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA): (a) to (e) Yes Sir, the Government has reclassified the income limits for various economic groups to avail loan from Housing & Urban Development Corporation Ltd. as follows:—

Category	New income ceiling effective from 2006-2007
EWS	Up to Rs. 3300
LIG	Rs. 3301-7300
MIG	Rs. 7301-14500
HIG	Rs. 14501 & above